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MEMORANDUM TO THE FILE

SUBJECT: Substantive aspects of conversations between [redacted] and [redacted], OSI

1. [redacted] described without reservation all of the [redacted] activities since the initiation of their project in 1947. He mentioned the [redacted] where a psychiatrist and a pharmacologist began the initial research making toxicity studies on animals. He also described complete literature surveys which were instituted through the [redacted], complete reports on which have been forwarded to [redacted]

2. By 1949 the [redacted] had developed usable substances, such as cigarettes, etc. An enthusiastic staff member tried some of the materials and the results were so startling that the [redacted] refused to try any experiments on human beings.

3. A project was initiated through [redacted] with a [redacted] clinical psychologist of [redacted]. The project is unclassified under the title [redacted] and it is arranged through [redacted] who was Aide to [redacted] of the [redacted]. [redacted] \$300,000. has been put into this project, special laboratories have been built and professional subjects have been used for experimentation. Another project involving a total of \$210,000. including \$25,000. each from the [redacted] and [redacted] was established under [redacted]

[redacted] Psychologist, with the [redacted]. The project was designed to study for valid indications leading to the detection of deception. It dealt more with skin temperatures rather than skin resistance as a base. Further studies developed at the [redacted] as a result of discoveries in the reaction of eye muscles to emotional disturbances. In other studies the [redacted] found "conclusively" that the electroencephalograph is of no value for this purpose. They are sure that the wave motions are not due to emotional disturbances but to strictly mechanical muscular reactions.

4. The methods of the Russians have been thoroughly investigated by the [redacted] and [redacted] states that they have nothing new.

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5. [REDACTED] described in detail the [REDACTED] situation. He has been in continuous contact with [REDACTED] since the latter's arrival in [REDACTED] and is now the sole agent handling the family and all matters relating to the case. [REDACTED] is undergoing extensive psychiatric investigation, and it is planned to make a complete and thorough analysis of his entire history.

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6. [REDACTED] stated that he would be glad to open the files in the [REDACTED] to OSI, but suggested that in our approach for this purpose we bring the BLUEBIRD report.

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